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RETURN OF THE TAX TENT

County Treasurer-Tax Collector Again Puts Up Tent On County Lawn to Speed Service

San Diego County Treasurer-Tax Collector Bart Hartman announced today that the now-familiar large white tent is making its third annual appearance on the south lawn of the County Administration Center as a convenience to County residents who are paying their property taxes.

"The tent has been a real hit with taxpayers over the past two years. With the additional security searches now being conducted at the County Administration Center, offering all our services outside the building should really speed things up for our customers," said Hartman. Services offered in the tent include the acceptance of cash, check, or credit card payments, printing of tax bills, property tax information, and general assistance to taxpayers.

In addition to collecting taxes, popcorn will again be sold with the proceeds being donated to the Polinsky Children's Center. Over the past two years nearly \$2,000 has been raised for the children at Polinsky, a temporary home for children who have been abused or neglected. "In addition to making the payment of taxes as easy as possible, I have also looked for ways to benefit the community," said Hartman. "We have raised money for both the Polinsky Center, as well as the March of Dimes."

The tent will be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday–Friday, through December 10, when the first installment of property tax payments is due.

Taxpayers are also reminded that they can conduct business with the Treasurer-Tax Collector at any of their four branch offices located at 5473 Kearny Villa Road, in San Diego; 334 Via Vera Cruz, #150, San Marcos, behind Restaurant Row; 344 F Street, Suite 200 in Chula Vista; and 200 South Magnolia in El Cajon.

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